

Sue Taylor

Point Comfort was established on land which had been in the Taylor family since 1866, called the Swan Lake Pasture belonging to Josiah Claiborne Taylor. The land was surrounded by bays on two sides and a deep creek on a third side. It was part of the Philip Dimmitt Survey. Mr. Dimmitt was sponsored by Stephen F. Austin. In 1830 he established a port there. He was a leader in the Texas Revolution. On the east side of Lavaca Bay, was once a port called "Cox's Point" which came into existence shortly before the days of the Texas Republic. Thomas Cox fought in the Battle of San Jacinto and had lived at Cox's Point and founded the port. Cox's Creek and Cox's Bay are named for him. Cox's Point had a wharf and warehouse and was one of the places designated in December, 1835, by Texas General Sam Houston as an immigration entry point for Texas army volunteers. This land was used for cattle grazing until Point Comfort was established.